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Knowing that the Clan was weak in the knowledge of magic, and seeing how brutally the Men used it against the Clan, Grishnak tentativly contacted GreyPawn, leader of the mages on far off Verity Island. GreyPawn agreed to allow an Orc to study magic at the Lyceaum, hoping that greater interaction with Men would curb the hostile tendancies Orcs displayed. Orglik was chosen to be the first Orc to study magery. Diligently he studied, learning what he could to bring back to the Clan. On the eve of his graduation from the Lyceaum, a great feast was declared. Orc and Man would come together in the Lyceaum to celebrate a new age of peace and understanding. Hesitant at first. Grishnak overcame his distrust and led his Clan to the tables set for them. After stuffing themselves and drinking much ale, the Orcs relaxed and began to rethink their hostility with Man. It was at this moment that the Men sprung their trap. Many Orcs had aquired the Bludname in battle with Men, but had been assured safe passage by the guards of the Lyceaum. Lulled into a sense of security, they

didnt expect the sudden attack by the Men of Moonglow. Many Orcs were slain before the rest could escape. This great betrayal by GreyPawn and his Moonglow Militia marked the begining of the undying hatered Orcs have for the inhabitants of Verity Island.

True to his word, Tilf and Gilf again returned to the Clan. The Ettin told a tale of a great war between the Trolls and the Ettins. The Trolls had conquored the Ettin lands and Tilf and Gilf sought the Orcs aid in retaking their home. Soon a great army of Ettins, Orcs, and Necromancers marched upon the Trolls and vanquished them. It was shortly after that the hosts of Yew, Moonglow, and the Urban Knights gathered to attack the Orcs in the very heart of their lands. Driving deep into Orc lands, they siezed the gates of the fort before being thrown back. A most perilous battle for the Clan, won only by the use of explosive potions hurled over the walls of the fort.

With great magics, the Shamans of the Clan pulled back the veil of the world and beheld a multitude of other worlds. Upon some of these worlds were other tribes of Orcs. None of these had sworn loyalty to the Clan, there for they must be destroyed. Great effort was put forth to open a gateway between worlds, and the strongest Orcs of the

Clan were chosen to pour through and conquore this new world. Gathering their forces in this new world, they set off towards the fort held by a tribe known as the Orcs of Kor. Initially their assault went well, but the magics used to bring them to this world weakened them and they were thrown back. Grishnak was last seen surrounded by the Orcs of Kor as his forces retreated to portal back to their own world.

With the Chief lost, the leadership of the Clan was vacant. Qog, a former Captain, stepped into the void. Qog reorganized the Clan and led them to victory against the Yew and Moonglow Militias. Having secured the lands surrounding the fort, Qog turned his covetous eyes westward, towards the farms and pens of the West Yew University.

The great battle between Light and Dark reached a climax and the world shook and split. The world became dark and cold winds blew from the mountains. Death desended across the lands and Orcs rejoiced. The Great Enemy, GreyPawn, retreated to the other side of the worlds. With him went the hated Moonglow Milita. So too did the forces of Yew. The Orcs rejoiced. It was at this time that Grishnak, weakened and hurt, was able to return to his home. Soon word reached Qog through his spies that the Urban Knights would

again try to wrest control of Cove from the Orcs, this time aided by Sesquax Libertas. Qog knew that the Men would try to take the town by sea and laid a trap for them. When the boats carrying the enemy approached the docks, hidden Orcs let fly their explosives, killing many before they even disembarked. Unfortunately, this was not enough for the great forces arrayed against them were able to force a landing farther to the west. In a great battle the Orcs and their allies were defeated and Cove passed once more into the hands of Men.

Long had the Urban Knight with the red hat enthralled Grishnak. No longer in possession of Cove, he decided upon a new prize: Shakti. Siezing her as she strolled the streets of Britain. Grishnak carried off his prize to the damp dungeon of Despise. There he enjoyed his new play thing until the hosts of Knights arrived, bent upon rescuing thier lost Shakti. Battling the denizens of the dungeon in addition to the Orcs, the leader of the Urban Knights fell in battle, but not before they won Shakti's freedom. Gathering his body with them, the Urban Knights summoned a magical door to take their leaders ghost and body away to be rejoined. Returning to the Fort, the Clan broods and plans vengance.

A caravan of ale, enroute through the Orc lands,

failed to deliver the required toll and thus was decimated by the vigilent Orc forces. Nestled among one of the bags of ale was found an axe. Radiating with Evil, Kurgh the Orc Raider knew he should bring it to the Chief. Grishnak and Snarfu examined the axe, unable to determine what it was. A Necromancer of the Infernal Cult was able to read the runes inscribed upon the axe: Crafted by the Hand of Evil. Soon thereafter, a patrol from the city of Evermoor arrived at the Fort. Talon Skyfire, captian of the guard, demanded that the Orcs return the axe to the rightfull owners. Spitting over the wall, Grishnak gave his reply. Driven from the gates of the fort, and leaving behind the broken bodies of their fallen, the Knights of Evermoor retreated before the overwhelming strength of the Orcs. A second assault was equally defeated, but this time a parchement was found explaining further about the Axe. With the right combination of elements, the Axe can release the Hand of Evil and bend it to the will of the weilder of the axe. With evidence that the first element can be found upon the island of Bucc's Den, the Clan prepared a raiding party to search the tunnels for the first element. Accompanied by the leader of the Holy Disciples of Darkness, Navrip Freemech, the Orcs where successful in finding the first part, the golden coil.

Seeking further information, the Orcs mounted an attack upon the city of Evermoor, only to be rebuffed. Unable to take the knowledge by force, Grishnak dispatched his Scouts and Sneaks to steal it.